

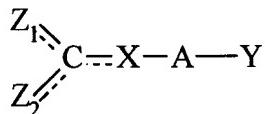
AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1-85. (Cancelled)

86. (Previously Presented) A method for treating Parkinson's disease in a subject, comprising:

administering to a subject a therapeutically effective amount of a combination of creatine, a creatine phosphate or a creatine compound and a neuroprotective agent, such that Parkinson's disease in said subject is treated, wherein said neuroprotective agent is selected from the group consisting of inhibitors of glutamate excitotoxicity, 2,3 dimethoxy-5-methyl-6-decaprenyl benoquinone, nicotinamide, spin traps, growth factors, nitric oxide synthase inhibitors, cyclooxygenase 2 inhibitors, aspirin, N-acetylcysteine, antioxidants, lipoic acid, riboflavin, and CoQ10, wherein said creatine compound has the formula:



and pharmaceutically acceptable salts thereof, wherein:

- a) Y is $-CO_2H$;
- b) A is selected from the group consisting of: C, CH, C₁-C₅alkyl, C₂-C₅alkenyl, C₂-C₅alkynyl, and C₁-C₅ alkoyl chain, each having 0-2 substituents which are selected independently from the group consisting of:
 - 1) K, where K is selected from the group consisting of: C₁-C₆ straight alkyl, C₂-C₆ straight alkenyl, C₁-C₆ straight alkoyl, C₃-C₆ branched alkyl, C₃-C₆ branched alkenyl, and C₄-C₆ branched alkoyl, K having 0-2 substituents independently selected from the group consisting of: bromo, chloro, epoxy and acetoxy;

2 -NH-M, wherein M is selected from the group consisting of: hydrogen, C₁-C₄ alkyl, C₂-C₄ alkenyl, C₁-C₄ alkoxy, C₃-C₄ branched alkyl, C₃-C₄ branched alkenyl, and C₄ branched alkoxy;

c) X is NR₁, wherein R₁ is selected from the group consisting of:

1) hydrogen;

2) K where K is selected from the group consisting of: C₁-C₆ straight alkyl, C₂-C₆ straight alkenyl, C₁-C₆ straight alkoxy, C₃-C₆ branched alkyl, C₃-C₆ branched alkenyl, and C₄-C₆ branched alkoxy, K having 0-2 substituents independently selected from the group consisting of: bromo, chloro, epoxy and acetoxy;

d) Z₁ and Z₂ are chosen independently from the group consisting of: -NHR₂, wherein R₂ is selected from the group consisting of:

1) hydrogen;

2) K, where K is selected from the group consisting of: C₁-C₆ straight alkyl, C₂-C₆ straight alkenyl, C₁-C₆ straight alkoxy, C₃-C₆ branched alkyl, C₃-C₆ branched alkenyl, and C₄-C₆ branched alkoxy, K having 0-2 substituents independently selected from the group consisting of: bromo, chloro, epoxy and acetoxy;

3 a C₄-C₈ α-amino-carboxylic acid attached via the w-carbon; and

4 B, wherein B is selected from the group consisting of: -CO₂H, -NHOH, -SO₃H, and -NO₂, wherein B is optionally connected to the nitrogen via a linker selected from the group consisting of: C₁-C₂ alkyl, C₂ alkenyl, and C₁-C₂ alkoxy.

87-90. (Cancelled)

91. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 86 or 133, wherein said neuroprotective agent is a spin trap.

92. **(Cancelled)**

93. **(Currently Amended)** The method of claim 86 or 133, wherein said neuroprotective agent is carnitine.

94. **(Cancelled)**

95. **(Currently Amended)** The method of claim 86 or 133, wherein said neuroprotective agent is an antioxidant.

96-97. **(Cancelled)**

98. **(Currently Amended)** The method of claim 86 or 133, wherein said neuroprotective agent is riboflavin.

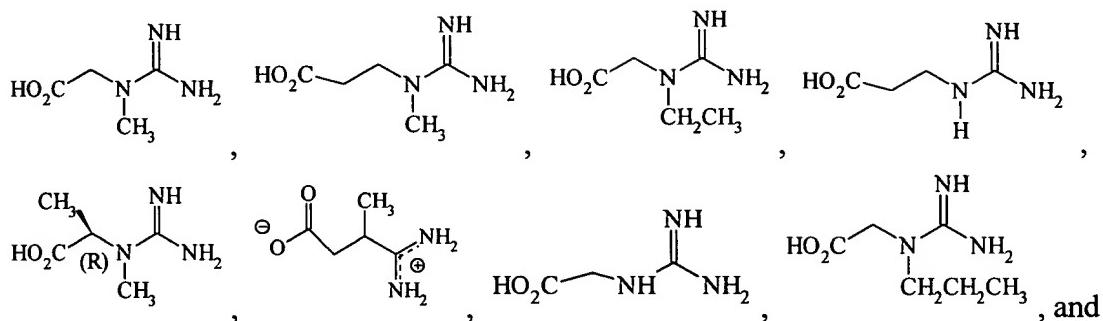
99. **(Currently Amended)** The method of claim 86 or 133, further comprising administering at least one additional neuroprotective agent or creatine compound.

100. **(Currently Amended)** The method of claim 86 or 133, wherein said creatine compound is creatine.

101-132. **(Cancelled)**

133. **(Previously Presented)** A method for treating Parkinson's disease in a subject, comprising:

administering to a subject a therapeutically effective amount of a combination of creatine, a creatine phosphate or a creatine compound and a neuroprotective agent, such that Parkinson's disease in said subject is treated, wherein said neuroprotective agent is selected from the group consisting of inhibitors of glutamate excitotoxicity, 2,3 dimethoxy-5-methyl-6-decaprenyl benoquinone, nicotinamide, spin traps, growth factors, nitric oxide synthase inhibitors, cyclooxygenase 2 inhibitors, aspirin, N-acetylcysteine, antioxidants, lipoic acid, riboflavin, and CoQ10, wherein said creatine compound is selected from the group consisting of:



pharmaceutically acceptable salts thereof.

134. **(Cancelled)**

135. **(New)** The method of claim 133, wherein said neuroprotective agent is a spin trap.

136. **(New)** The method of claim 133, wherein said neuroprotective agent is carnitine.

137. **(New)** The method of claim 133, wherein said neuroprotective agent is an antioxidant.

138. **(New)** The method of claim 133, wherein said neuroprotective agent is riboflavin.

139. **(New)** The method of claim 133, further comprising administering at least one additional neuroprotective agent or creatine compound.

140. **(New)** The method of claim 133, wherein said creatine compound is creatine.